RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PLUMBERS
1511 Pontiac Avenue, Bldg 70, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Cranston, RI 02920
Tuesday, December 18, 2012
9:00am

## In attendance:

Lionel Bernardino
Anthony Cardarelli
Jeffrey Hutton
Richard Mandarini
Michael Newman
William J. Riley, Chair

Larry Giorgi and Michael Raposa were not in attendance.

Also in attendance were E. Patrick Luther, Chief Plumbing Investigator; Ron D¡¦Ambruoso, Administrator; Joseph Degnan, Assistant Director and Benjamin Copple, Legal Counsel.

1.) Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:08am by William J. Riley, Chair.

2.) Minutes of October 16, 2012: Richard Mandarini made a motion to accept the minutes to the meeting of October 16, 2012; seconded by Jeffrey Hutton and passed unanimously by the Board.

3.) Conflict of Interest: Passed

4.) Violation Appeal Hearings: Hearings were heard out of order to allow time for Bob Gaj to appear for the hearing of Robert A. Belmont ¡V Belmont Services (Viol 4375). Robert Belmont, of Belmont Services; Christopher Chartier, of Victory Heating & Air Conditioning and E. Patrick Luther for the RIDLT are sworn in for testimony.

Victory Heating & Air Conditioning (Viol 4429): E. Patrick Luther reads the violation.

Date: 11/7/2012

Violation #: 4429

Name of Violator: Victory Heating and Air Conditioning ¡V Chris

Chartier, 115 Mendon St, Bellingham, MA 02091

Location of Violation: Family DollarDanielson Pike Scituate, RI

Violation: RIGL 5-20-9 Acts for which Journeyperson's license

required

On 10-18-2012, Chris Chartier, MP002297, did have Michael Haines, 17 Richardson Rd Hudson, MA and Shaun Donnelly, 149 Mechanics St, Putnam, CT installing plumbing at the above location. Mr. Haines and

Mr. Donnelly were not licensed or registered in RI at the time of the inspection. This is a violation of the above referenced RI General Law.

As per RIGL 5-20-33 a \$1,000.00 penalty was assessed with the Cease and Desist order dated 11/7/2012

E. Patrick Luther provides testimony. Mr. Luther enters a copy of Shawn Donnellyi's Massachusetts license as Exhibit A and a copy of Michael Hainesi' Massachusetts license as Exhibit B. The Board questions Mr. Luther

Christopher Chartier, of Victory Heating and Air Conditioning, provides testimony.

Before a motion was made, Assistant Director, Joseph Degnan, requests Board members to state their reasoning when making motions and voting on the record so there is a clear transcript for the Director.

Jeffrey Hutton made a motion that a violation of RIGL 5-20-9, Acts for which journey person; Is license required, did occur; as it was stated by the defendant; seconded by Michael Newman and passed unanimously by the Board.

There is discussion. The Board addressed Mr. Chartier and Mr.

Chartier addressed the Board. The Board also questions Mr. Luther.

Leo (Lionel) Bernardino made a motion to uphold the requested penalty of \$1,000.00; seconded by Jeffrey Hutton and passed unanimously by the Board.

The recommendation will be forwarded to the Director.

Robert A. Belmont ¡V Belmont Services (Viol 4375): Robert Belmont and E. Patrick Luther were previously sworn. Robert Gaj, Investigator, is sworn in for testimony. E. Patrick Luther reads the violation.

Date on Violation: 9/21/12

Violation # 4375

Name of Violator: Robert A. Belmont ¡V Belmont Services, 305

**Turnpike St, Apt 224, So. Easton, MA 02375-1767** 

Location of Violation: Fast Freddies, 471 Putnam Pike, Smithfield RI

**Violation:** 

RIGL 5-20-8 Practices for which a Master's license required

RIGL 5-20-9 Acts for which Journeypersons license required (2)

**RIGL 5-20-12 Corporations and Firms Engaged In Business** 

On August 10, 2012, Robert A. Belmont, of Belmont Services, did have Arthur M. McMackin, Jr., Chris Dubeau and himself installing

Irrigation at the above location. At the time of inspection Belmont Services did not have a Master Irrigator in its corporate structure and Robert A. Belmont does not hold a Master Irrigator's License in RI. This is a violation of the above referenced RI General Laws.

As per RIGL 5-20-33 a \$2,000.00 penalty was assessed with the Cease and Desist order dated 9/21/2012.

E. Patrick Luther provides testimony. Robert Gaj was the Investigator. Mr. Luther enters a copy of Robert A. Belmontiis Massachusetts driveriis license as Exhibit A and a copy of Arthur M. McMakin, Jr.iis Massachusetts driveriis license as Exhibit B. The other individual had no identification on him.

Robert Gaj provides testimony. The Board questions Robert A. Belmont.

Leo Bernardino made a motion that Violation 4375 did occur due to the testimony by Mr. Belmont; seconded by Jeffrey Hutton and passed unanimously by the Board.

Anthony Cardarelli made a motion that the requested penalty of \$2,000.00 be upheld; seconded by Jeffrey Hutton and passed unanimously by the Board.

The recommendation will be forwarded to the Director.

## End of hearings.

- 5.) Apprentice Approvals Apprentice Registrations
- "X Mike Haines Chris Chartier MP002297
- "X Andrew Baribault Philip Mangione MP001523
- "X Lloyd Craig Vincent Maggiacomo MP000070
- "X Sabato Stanzio Larry Giorgi MP001293
- "X Johnathan Tasca Larry Giorgi MP001293
- "X Matt DaRosa Carl Mancuso MP002167
- E. Patrick Luther confirms that all apprentices and ratios have been checked and are in order. Michael Newman made a motion to accept the apprentice approvals / registrations; seconded by Anthony Cardarelli and passed unanimously by the Board.
- 6.) Adjournment: Michael Newman made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Jeffrey Hutton and passed unanimously by the Board. The meeting adjourned at 9:36am.